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In Re Application of:

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Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TRACKING CONDITIONS IN AN ASSAY

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review and make of record the references identified below.

Form PTO-1449 listing the references accompanies this paper. Applicants would appreciate the Examiner's initialing and returning the form to indicate that the references have been reviewed and made of record. The references are as follows:

OTHER DOCUMENTS
Lobnik et al. (1998), "pH Optical Sensors Based on Sol-Gels: Chemical Doping versus Covalent Immobilization," <i>Analytica Chimica Acta</i> 367:159-165.
Offenbacher et al. (1986), "Fluorescence Optical Sensors for Continuous Determination of Near Neutral pH Values," <i>Sensors and Actuators</i> 2:73-84.
Wolfbeis et al. (1986), "Fluorescence Sensor for Monitoring Ionic Strength and Physiological pH Values," <i>Sensors and Actuators</i> 2:85-91.
Wolfbeis et al. (1992), "LED-Compatible Fluorosensor for Measurement of Near-Neutral pH Values," <i>Mikrochimica Acta</i> 108:133-141.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not intended as a representation that a search has been made, that additional information material to the examination of this

application does not exist, or that any of the above references constitutes prior art to the present application within the meaning of 35 USC § 102.

As applicants have not yet received a first Action on the merits, no fee is required for filing this Information Disclosure Statement. If, however, the PTO finds that for some reason a fee is found to be necessary, our Deposit Account No. 18-0580 may be charged therefor. A **duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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